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EXAMINING GROUP 3738

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Dear Sir:

Reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

This is a reply to the Office Action dated April 4, 2006 setting a three (3) month statutory period for response. A Petition for a one (1) month extension of time and the requisite fee are provided herewith. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.